

1973 was not yet filled. There were 16 other appointments; permanent, volunteer, and LIP during the first quarter of 1973.

Arrangements are being made with the Faculty of Continuing Education at UBC to cooperate with the City Archives in offering a layman's introduction to archives as a number of groups and individuals have expressed an interest in such a basic training course.

PRAIRIE REGION

GLENBOW-ALBERTA INSTITUTE ARCHIVES. The Archives staff still numbers eight. Again the assistance of Local Initiative Programme workers has proved very valuable. During the six-month period from December 1 to May 31, seven students were employed in contacting businesses in the City for papers and historical data, conducting an oral history programme, sorting and processing manuscript and photographic collections, preparing inventories for publication and typing catalogue cards.

Some acquisitions of note include the following: records of the Calgary School Board dating from 1892; a significant collection of papers of the Home Oil Company; business and political papers of William Norman Smith, editor of United Farmers of Alberta and Western Farm Leader, 1919-1964, 8 linear feet; minute books and correspondence of Alberta Women's Liberal Association, 1937-1970; two glass plate negative collections, 150 in number, on pioneer activities in east central Alberta, c. 1899-1906; a considerable amount of material relating to the Mounted Police, including several sets of diaries, three major collections of photographs and papers and manuscripts of Supt. Burton Deane.

Expansion of use of Archives' facilities continues. The ensuing three years, because of the centennial of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police this year, the anniversary of their arrival in the West next year and Calgary's one hundredth birthday in 1975, are important historically, and Glenbow is becoming increasingly involved. Individuals, societies and communities are receiving assistance in their research and by use of photographs, while some of our own staff members are actively participating in certain projects. In addition, the numbers of University students in our reading room continues to grow.

Glenbow's new building has commenced and we are still hopeful that it will be completed in the fall of 1975 or early in 1976.

In the field of publication, the papers of N.W.M.P. Inspector W. Parker are in the hands of M.G. Hurtig, Publishers, 225 Birks Building, Edmonton, Alberta, and scheduled to appear later this year. The Peter Erasmus manuscript which is being prepared for publication by Mrs. Irene Spry is also well underway.

A bibliography of the holdings relating to the Mounted Police in the Archives, Library and Art Department has been produced in mimeographed form as Archives Series No. 5. This has been widely distributed and is proving very useful to those engaged in the aforementioned Centennial projects.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF ALBERTA 1972. The archives staff remained at ten during the year, but university students were hired for the summer to help in organizing collections, to prepare inventories and indexes, to make tape-recordings and to provide indexes and synopses of them. In addition, one graduate student was commissioned to research the folk music of Alberta and to provide transcripts of lyrics with descriptive texts.

972 linear feet of material were received in 504 accessions, of which 179 were from government departments and agencies. 226 microfilms and 114 phonotapes were acquired as well as 82 maps.

Significant deposits included:-

The Alfred Blyth Photograph Collection
F.M. Dunham's letters 1908 - 1911
Files of the Honourable Peter Lougheed while in opposition
(restricted access)
Labour and Union papers of Mr. A. Farmilo
Files of Ministers of Agriculture 1946 - 1970
Microfilms of Federal Immigration Branch records from the
Public Archives of Canada
Mines Inspectors' Files - Edson and Drumheller districts

The Archives reference room register showed 1561 users (an increase of 130 over 1971), and there were 193 applications for the use of research facilities.

Apart from 213 inventories completed, there are now numerical lists and subject indexes of the Premiers' files (1921 - 1945) in the Archives prepared by computer printout. A program of indexing, printing and arranging by subject sets of prints from photograph collections was continued and over 2300 negatives were renumbered, printed in duplicate and indexed.

Several exhibits of recent accessions were held in the Archives Gallery. A travelling display, Alberta at the Turn of the Century, completed in June, comprises over 300 photographs from the Archives collections.

Staff members have participated in professional and learned conferences in Ottawa, Montreal, Columbus Ohio, Saskatoon, Edmonton and Calgary. Talks have been given on CBC French TV network, to the Women's Canadian Club in Edmonton, to the Edmonton Kiwanis, the Canadian Authors' Association (Edmonton) and to the Northern Alberta Oldtimers and Pioneers' Association. The Archives sponsored a one day conference on tape-recording techniques.

The Provincial Archivist continued to serve as Chairman of the Public Documents Committee. During the year 54 recommendations for the disposition of departmental records were made, including 38 recommendations for transfer to the Archives.

PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES OF MANITOBA. In spite of the limitations of physical space the general public made increasingly heavy use of the Provincial Archives in 1972. Although no centennial celebrations were known to be occurring, the number of personal visits to the Archives almost equalled the total received in 1970. In addition, correspondence increased 41% over the previous year, and the number of photographic prints produced for film makers, publishers, teachers and private individuals increased by almost 60%.

Major accessions included additional correspondence, manuscripts and diaries of Dr. Charles Napier Bell, and Robert Miller Christy's manuscripts for his history of the Hudson's Bay Company, both presented by Mrs. F.C. Bell of West Vancouver, B.C. From Mr. Robert P. Dennistoun of Corona del Mar, California, we received the papers of his father, Robert Maxwell Dennistoun who was a Judge of the Manitoba Court of Appeal from 1919 to 1946. Thanks to the initiative and good offices of members of La Société Historique de Saint-Boniface we were able to obtain microfilm copies of the parish registers for St. François Xavier, 1834-1900, Baie St. Paul, 1874-1882 and St. Eustache, 1882-1903. From Mrs. M. Sykes, daughter of Robert B. Russell, we obtained some correspondence relating to the One Big Union.

A number of Walter J. Phillips woodcuts of Manitoba scenes were purchased from Mr. J.P. Crabb of Winnipeg. Five water-colours of rural and Winnipeg scenes painted by F. Fitzroy Dixon were acquired from Bytown Glass of Ottawa.

The Winnipeg Free Press presented approximately 6,000 negatives for the period February, 1959, to May, 1960. Through close co-operation with the Flin Flon Historical Society the Archives was able to acquire over 400 photographic prints of Flin Flon and northern Manitoba for the period 1915-1940. Over 1000 items were added to the Jewish Historical Society Collection as a result of the Society's extensive search for new material for its exhibit "Journey Into Our Heritage". From the Synod Office of the Diocese of Rupert's Land we received over 200 photographs and negatives of various Anglican Churches and missions in Manitoba for the years 1912-22. From the estate of the late Mrs. Molly Basken we received some 400 photographic views of steamboats and Winnipeg. Lady Elton of Clevedon Court, Somerset, England, forwarded 118 postcard views of Winnipeg and Gimli. The Department of Health and Welfare deposited their extensive collection of photographs relating to Public Health Nursing in Manitoba.

Finding aids were completed for the papers of the Hon. T.C. Norris, Premier of Manitoba from 1915 to 1922, the Thomas Seaton Ewart Collection and the One Big Union.

An "Ethnic Archives Workshop" was held in May. It was attended by eighteen persons representing thirteen organizations or ethnic societies.

Planning of the new Provincial Library and Archives Building continues, but a move from offices in the Legislative Building to the new location in the former Civic Auditorium Building is not expected to take place until late summer, 1974.

SASKATCHEWAN ARCHIVES BOARD. Recent accessions have included records of the Regina Labour Council, Regina General Hospital School of Nursing, Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, Saskatchewan N.D.P. and Saskatoon Metro N.D.P.; papers of Hon. J.W. Burton (former provincial cabinet minister and Member of Parliament), R.J. Staples, (music supervisor), and Ernest Lindner (artist). The Archives of the three prairie provinces, in co-operation with P.A.C., filmed 72 reels of Immigration Branch records held by P.A.C.

Combined usage at our two offices has averaged 30 researchers per day since January 1, 1973. These were mainly students working on theses, honours and term papers, but include also writers, genealogists, and the public generally.

One new position was created in the Regina Office, effective April 1st, 1973 and Mr. Trevor Powell was appointed to it. Mr. A.R. Turner, Provincial Archivist, was appointed chairman of the Saskatchewan R.C.M.P. Centennial Co-ordinating Committee.

The Fifteenth Report of the Saskatchewan Archives Record, for the period 1970-1972 was published during the year.

ONTARIO

CITY OF TORONTO ARCHIVES. Since the establishment of the City Archives in 1960 the City Archivist has taken every opportunity to persuade municipal politicians of the wisdom of preserving their papers for posterity. Patience has recently been rewarded by several ex-members of Council, most notably ex-Mayor William Dennison whose political career spans 1938-73. There are indications that the deposit of such papers will become customary.

The Photograph Collection grows steadily, aided last year by prints from the Buildings Dept. concerning housing conditions in Toronto 1935-47, and approximately 1200 prints and negatives from City Planning Board of areas being rezoned (1959-63). Planning Board also transferred 25 feet of original material produced by the international architectural competition for the new City Hall (1956-59).